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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 9228

Takaaki HIGASHIDA et al.

Docket No. 2001 1290A

Serial No. 09/936,164

Group Art Unit 1734

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OPTICAL DISK MOLDING APPARATUS

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT

AND METHOD

ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 6, 2004, Applicants hereby elect **Group**II, which is drawn to an optical disk molding method and is embodied by claims 36-37.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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